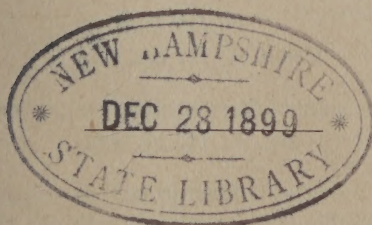


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ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
SELECTMEN, TREASURER,
AND
SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
OF THE TOWN OF
NEWTON, N. H.,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING
FEBRUARY 28, 1885.



EXETER, N. H.:
GAZETTE STEAM PRINTING HOUSE.
1885.

TOWN OFFICERS.

OFFICERS BIENNIALLY ELECTED:

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GENERAL COURT,
ALVAH W. SARGENT.

SUPERVISORS OF CHECK-LIST,
JOHN S. PEASLEE, DAVID C. PRESCOTT,
WALTER C. GALE.

TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED ANNUALLY:

TOWN CLERK,
GEORGE B. MERRILL.

SELECTMEN,
ALMON F. DRAKE, SIMEON ROWELL,
JAMES B. KIMBALL.

TOWN TREASURER,
HERVEY N. GOULD.

COLLECTOR,
ENOCH H. NICHOLS.

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
DR. F. H. MORSE.

CONSTABLES,
JOHN GORDON, BENJAMIN F. WAKEFIELD.

AUDITORS,
WILLIAM W. WILDER, WILLIAM W. BOSWELL.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

Invoice April 1, 1884, land and buildings,	\$270822 00
Polls, No. 297,	29700 00
Horses, 144,	8110 00
Oxen, 22,	1310 00
Cows, 169,	4390 00
Neat, 33,	527 00
Sheep, 152,	776 00
Hogs, 4,	38 00
Carriages, 11,	750 00
Money,	12385 00
Stock in trade,	10370 00
Machinery and steam boiler,	3400 00

\$342578 00

On which the Selectmen have assessed the following amount
at one dollar and twenty cents per \$100 and the highway
tax at fifteen cents per \$100.

State tax,	\$656 00
County tax,	456 22
Town tax,	2000 00
School tax,	574 00
Extra school tax,	250 00
Percentage,	174 71

\$4110 93

Resident highway tax, committed to Surveyors, \$338	54
Non-resident highway tax, committed to Collector,	99 33
Dog tax	76 00
Total committed to Collector in 1884,	\$4286 26

ABATEMENTS.

Levi B. Webster,	poll, 1884,	\$1 20
Thomas Doliver	horse, “	1 68
John C. Bartlett, heirs, on acc. of highway, 1884,		4 86
J. W. Hobert,	poll, 1883,	1 30
Barnabus Russell,	“ “	1 30
John Robinson,	“ “	1 30
George J. Fairbrother,	“ “	1 30
Joseph Smith,	“ “	80
Thomas Smith,	“ “	1 30
David Fogg,	“ “	89
George Sargent,	“ “	1 30
Frank E. Tucker, land, taxed twice, 1883,		2 51
George W. Davenport,	poll, 1882,	1 51
George Bean,	“ “	51
Joseph Smith,	“ “	1 51
“	1881,	1 70
“	dog, “	1 00
“	“ 1880,	1 00
“	poll, “	2 20
Wm. Monahan,	“ “	2 20
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		\$31 37

MONEY RECEIVED.

From William A. Buzzell, estate,	\$67 33
State R. R. tax,	194 72
“ Savings bank,	85 62
“ Literary fund,	80 08
“ Bounty on woodchucks,	19 60
County, support of Foster Glover's children,	183 00
“ Dr. Leslie's bill,	13 50
“ A. J. Burbeck,	39 00

Paid County, Mrs. Wm. Peaslee,	66 25
" Michael Burns,	5 94
Rent of town hall,	34 00
John T. Clark, old stove,	1 35
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	\$790 39

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

DR.

To bonds,	\$6800 00
Coupons not paid March 1, 1885,	816 00
John Currier, sheep killed,	40 00
Fred G. Dunn, " "	4 00
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	\$17660 00

CR.

Balance due on reimbursement account,	\$13466 67
U. S. bounty,	1179 00
Collector, 1882,	21 18
" 1883,	118 00
" 1884,	728 26
County,	21 25
Cash on hand,	1825 04
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	\$17359 40
Town debt over assets, March 1, 1885,	\$300 60
" reduced during the year,	616 73

ALMON F. DRAKE,	} Selectmen of Newton.
SIMEON ROWELL,	
JAMES B. KIMBALL,	

TREASURER'S REPORT.

H. N. Gould, Treasurer, in account with the town of Newton for the year ending March 1st, 1885.

DR.

Received of Treasurer, 1884,	4190 58
Selectmen “	790 39
Town Clerk for Billiard table,	18 00
Benj. F. Wakefield, on the Wadleigh case,	5 00
James B. Kimball, Collector 1882,	37 29
E. H. Nichols “ 1883,	550 00
“ “ “ 1884,	3550 26
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	\$9141 52

CR.

By amount paid by order of the Selectmen.

Paid State tax,	\$656 00
County tax,	456 22
School money,	904 08
Town officers' services,	252 00
On account of Poor,	446 45
Snow bills,	103 70
Non-resident Highway tax worked out,	97 23
Miscellaneous,	383 38
Town Bonds and Premium,	2859 42
Interest on Bonds,	1158 00
Balance cash on hand,	1825 04
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	\$9141 52

SCHOOL MONEY.

Paid Dist. No. 1, John L. Smith,	\$131 61
2, Charles Wormwood,	242 61
3, Orrin D. Carter,	126 34
4, John S. Peaslee,	121 94
5, Almon J. Currier,	127 19
6, Ezra N. George,	154 39
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	\$904 08

TOWN OFFICERS' SERVICES.

Paid A. F. Drake, Selectman and Overseer of poor,	\$65 00
Simeon Rowell, " "	22 00
J. B. Kimball, " "	30 00
H. N. Gould, Treasurer,	25 00
Geo. B. Merrill, Town Clerk,	25 00
E. H. Nichols, Collector,	60 00
F. H. Morse, S. S. Committee,	25 00
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	\$252 00

ON ACCOUNT OF POOR.

Paid Expenses of the Peaslee family, 1884,	65 00
Glover children, 1884,	180 00
Mrs. Wallace,	100 01
A. J. Burbick,	30 00
S. A. Currier,	52 00
Expenses Michael Burnes,	5 94
H. G. Leslie expenses on Glover children,	13 50
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	\$446 45

SNOW BILLS.

1883.

Paid Dist. No. 1, D. C. Peaslee,	\$2 80
2, L. J. Bartlett,	48
3, A. F. Drake,	2 75
J. A. Hoyt,	2 38
4, J. H. Gale,	3 55
5, P. S. Whittier,	10 40
6, J. R. Rowell,	4 40
7, N. Chase,	11 65

1884.

1, D. C. Peaslee,	10 00
2, L. J. Bartlett,	4 90
3, J. A. Hoitt,	16 95
4, Benj. Collins,	9 80
5, P. S. Whittier,	3 79
6, John R. Rowell,	7 40
7, Geo. G. Gould,	12 45

 \$103 70

NON-RESIDENT HIGHWAY TAX WORKED OUT.

Dist. No. 1, D. C. Peaslee,	27 94
2, L. J. Bartlett,	5 46
3, J. A. Hoitt,	13 87
4, Benj. Collins,	6 85
5, P. S. Whittier,	10 38
6, John R. Rowell,	11 68
7, Geo. G. Gould,	21 05

 \$97 23

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Mitchell & Hoyt, Printing Town Reports, 1883,	\$14 00
A. F. Drake, Distributing, " " "	2 75
Bounty on Woodchucks,	19 60
Thompson & Batchelder, books,	1 59
E. G. Kelly, boarding tramps,	21 25
John Currier, damage done to sheep,	9 50
A. Janes, " " " "	6 00
A. F. Drake, extra labor on Highway, Dist. No. 3,	16 00
Geo. W. Hoitt, watering trough,	3 00
M. P. Rowell, "	3 00
A. M. Davis, "	3 00
M. P. Palmer, "	3 00
S. P. Carter, "	3 00
Edmund Rowell, "	3 00
G. D. Veal, "	3 00
W. B. Whittier, moving and repairing Hearse House,	44 03
Paying State tax,	5 00
P. O. Reynolds, M. D., births and deaths, 1883 and 1884,	1 75
F. H. Morse, M. D., births and deaths, 1883 and 1884,	7 00
Frank L. Hatch, damage done to Horse by defect in bridge,	10 00
W. W. Wilder, oil, wicks, and oil can for Town Hall,	5 10
D. S. Bartlett, wood for Town Hall,	10 50
W. A. Drake, sawing wood for Town Hall,	90
Geo. B. Merrill, brace for stove pipe in Town Hall,	50
" " " recording marriages, births, & deaths,	9 00
" " " services as janitor Town Hall,	17 00
W. S. Bailey, Police,	3 00
E. G. Kelley, "	5 00

Paid E. G. Kelley, care of lockup,	2 00
Benjamin F. Wakefield, Police,	5 00
“ “ “ case of Geo W. Wadleigh,	18 41
A. F. Drake, travel, car fare, book, paper and postage stamps,	9 10
L. J. Bartlett, repairs on bridge, Dist. No. 2,	42
P. S. Whittier, driving hearse,	15 00
D. C. Prescott, Supervisor,	7 60
Sargent & Currier, plank for Dist. No. 2, 4, and 6,	22 54
Benj. Collins, stringers and repairing bridges in Dist. No. 4,	2 00
D. M. Tuxbury, non resident tax worked out,	2 60
D. C. Peaslee, material for repairing bridges, Dist. No. 1,	18 00
Benj. Collins, extra work on highway, Dist. No. 4,	10 50
H. N. Gould, 2 receipt books,	70
J. H. Batchelder, 8 blank Town Warrants,	40
J. D. P. Wingate, printing check-lists,	6 44
W. E. Wilder, sealing weights and measures,	5 20
W. C. Gale, Supervisor,	7 00
John S. Peaslee, “	10 00
Daniel C. Peaslee, over-worked on highway,	10 00
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	\$383 38

COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT.

J. B. Kimball, 1882,	DR.	
To uncollected taxes, 1884,		\$70 09
	CR.	
By collections to March 1, 1885,		37 28
Abatements,		11 63
Uncollected taxes, March 1, 1885,		21 18
E. H. Nichols, 1883,	DR.	
To uncollected taxes, 1884,		680 00
	CR.	
By collections to March 1, 1885,		550 00
Abatements,		12 00
Uncollected taxes, March 1, 1885,		118 00
E. H. Nichols, 1885,	DR.	
To tax list,		4286 26
	CR.	
By collections, March 1, 1885,		3550 26
Abatements,		7 74
Uncollected taxes, March 1, 1885,		728 26

H. N. GOULD,

Town Treasurer.

AUDITORS' REPORT

NEWTON, March 2, 1885.

We have this day examined the accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer and find them properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIAM W. BOSWELL, }
 WILLIAM W. WILDER, } Auditors.

SCHOOL REPORT.

To the Selectmen of the town of Newton, the following report of the Superintending School Committee is respectfully submitted :

DISTRICT NO. 1.

John Smith, Prudential Committee.

Miss Cora E. Cook of Exeter, teacher.

Both Summer and Fall terms were taught by Miss Cook. Being quiet, yet firm and decided, she governed and conducted this school without any apparent effort. Order, lessons and whole appearance were worthy of highest praise.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Charles Wormwood, Prudential Committee.

Geo. B. Merrill, Miss Alice Wilder of Newton and Miss A. Josephine Eaton of Hampstead, teachers.

This school has had such a change of teachers during the year that the harmony has not existed which is so important for continued success. Mr. Morrill worked hard in the interest of the school, a fact which did not seem to be appreciated by many of the parents who did not make much apparent effort to keep their children at school.

Miss Wilder taught the second term and marked improvement was made. She labored under the disadvantage of being in her own district but she succeeded well.

The Winter term taught by Miss Eaton of Hampstead though short, owing to the small amount of money left for school purposes, was very successful. She is a teacher of considerable experience, the instruction was thorough and the order and progress of the school was commendable.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Orin S. Carter, Prudential Committee.

Miss Elvira Smith of Newton, teacher.

Miss Smith taught both terms. She brings to her work ability and experience, united with tact and energy for the management of a school; and has a practical and business-like way which is very refreshing. The examinations were very satisfactory.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

John Peaslee, Prudential Committee.

Miss Ellen Kelley teacher.

Both Summer and Fall terms were taught by Miss Kelley who appears to be admirably adapted to the wants of the school. The scholars are young and few in number, but the energy and ambition of the teacher were manifest in every exercise. The deportment and progress of this school were all that could be desired.

DISTRICT No. 5.

Almon Currier, Prudential Committee.

Miss Abbie Nelson of East Kingston, teacher.

Miss Nelson entered this school with an experience of two previous terms in the district and was well qualified to understand its wants and her labors being well seconded by the scholars made it a very profitable term.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

Ezra George, Prudential Committee.

Miss M. E. Boswell, of Newton teacher.

Summer and Fall terms taught by Miss Boswell who is one of our most successful teachers, and under her care the school fully sustained its former good reputation. The examinations at close of terms were alike creditable to both teacher and scholars.

I am gratified in being able to report the schools of the past year so favorably. The teachers have generally been faithful, yet it is not supposable that all would possess the tact in governing, and the skill in imparting instruction, which has crowned several of them with remarkable success.

FRED H. MORSE, M. D.

Supt. of Schools.

STATISTICAL REPORT.

Book-keeping.	Physiology.	Algebra.	Composition.	History.	Grammar.	Geography.	Arithmetic.	Pennmanship.	Spelling.	Reading.	No. of Girls.	No. of boys.	Visits by Citizens.	Visits by Prudential Com.	No. pupils not absent.	Average daily attendance.	Average No. of pupils.	Whole No. of pupils.	Wages of teacher per mo	Length of school in weeks	No. of terms.	No. of School District.
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